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Chapter 3
MIRROR OF HARI

OR EVEN IF YOU WERE A STAIN ON THE WALL, I WILL STILL LOVE YOU!
EVEN IF NANAO WERE LIVING IN THE ATTIC,
OR CAME OUT OF THE TV,
.....
HUH?
Attic? Stain?
I'M NOT A HORROR! I'M A SPECTER!
Ohhh a souvenir? How nice of you
HE WAS HAVING A HORROR MOVIE PARTY ALL NIGHT WITH THE GUYS WHO CAME OVER TO STAY
YOU ARE STILL AN ABNORMAL BEING
BUT COULD YOU TIDY UP THE ROOM BEFORE THAT?
EVEN THOUGH HE'S MORE HORROR THAN ANYTHING ELSE

It has been three months since Akajita, the speeter, started to freeload in the home of Yatoh-kun, who is a kotodama-tsukai.
Stupid Yatoh! It's dirty to use your kotodama!
Will you mend the hole in the shoji screen as well
HUFFLE
"SHUT UP."
Ehhh!
YATOH, YOU ARE SO HIGH-HANDED!
It looks like he's getting along quite well with Yatoh-kun's friends, like it's nothing special.
I HEARD THAT THEY DIDN'T EVEN COME BACK FOR NEW YEARS'
AH, BY THE WAY, DOES YOUR FAMILY KNOW THAT AKAJITA IS IN YOUR HOUSE?

I've being seeing things that others couldn't since I was small.
and it seems like I have the disposition to draw those specters to me...
Yatoh-kun calls it "food-disposition."
ANYHOW
That's right.
IT'S ALL RIGHT, I AM HERE FOR YOU
IT'S YOU WHO IS EATING HER...
Tch.
HUH?
IF YOU ARE WORRIED, HOW ABOUT YOU LIVE HERE, TOO?
THERE'S NO PROBLEM.
Watch out, Nanao!
He will eat you alive!
Yatoh showed his true colors at last...!
AHHHHHH

PAT
REST ASSURED.
I LIKE GIRLS WHO ARE MORE GROWN UP
JEEZ
WHAT?
YOU REALLY BELIEVED THAT I WOULD EAT YOU?
SHAKE
SHAKE
HE SAID THAT HIS PARENTS ARE OVERSEAS ON BUSINESS.
Strange...
I feel like he evaded the question just now...
Yatoh-kun hates anything that's even a little bit suspicious.
And he used to live alone in his house.

HURRY! WE HAVE TO WIPE IT
DON'T GET THE SOFA WET!
SPILL
KYAAH!
AKAJITA!
YOU'RE SPILLING IT! SPILLING IT!
YATOH-KUN, WHERE'S THE RAG..?
The target was yet again a child He had the same injury of a deep cut in the abdomen, created by a sharp blade
The citizens are feeling the uneasiness of the constant stream of attacks occurring in the quiet public parks
The neighboring citizens have reported
there is no threat to his life, but the boy requires two weeks of recovery

Yatoh-kun...?

YOU'VE BEEN ACTING STRANGE EVER SINCE YOU SAW THE NEWS.
I MEAN, YESTERDAY.
SINCE THIS MORNING,
HUH?
ARE YOU OK?
UMMM
CAN YOU EVEN COUNT THAT AS A SPECIALTY?
I THOUGHT THAT SNEAKING AWAY FROM THE CLASSROOM AND EATING LUNCH ALONE WAS ONLY MY SPECIALTY.
THAT'S UNUSUAL

You can rely on me for help!
Ah...
CAN I...
...DO SOMETHING TO HELP YOU...?!
Sigh...
I'M SO FINISHED IF HATSUSE IS WORRYING ABOUT ME
Jeez, that's our Yatoh-kun...

FIX THAT PERSONALITY OF YOURS THAT TRIES TO POKE YOUR NOSE INTO EVERY LITTLE THING.
AND ONE MORE THING,
REMEMBER THAT YOU ARE FOOD TO THEM.
DON'T BE SO CAREFREE WHEN YOU'RE DRAWING IN THOSE STRANGE THINGS TO YOU.
YATOH-KUN
ALTHOUGH AKAJITA WILL BE THERE FOR YOU IN THE WORST-CASE SCENARIO,
DON'T FORGET THAT HE'S A SPECTER TOO, YOU KNOW.

Yatoh-kun...?
What happened?
Why, so suddenly...

KEEP OUT
ARE YOU KANAME YATOH?
. . WHO ARE YOU?
HOW DO YOU KNOW ME?

THERE'S A MESSAGE FROM THE PERSON WHO WANTS TO MEET YOU
Twirl
"THIS TIME FOR SURE, I'LL TEAR YOUR INSIDES TO PIECES..."
"...SO YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO SPEAK IN FEAR..."
UGH!
GRIP
ENOUGH ...!
"STO..."
!
!

EVEN THOUGH YOU WANDERED OUT HERE ALONE,
IT LOOKS LIKE YOU WEREN'T THAT STUPID
I AM THE MIRROR OF HARI.
EVERY EMOTION TOWARDS ME WILL BE REFLECTED BACK TO YOU.
TOO BAD..
YOU THOUGHT THAT PERSON WOULD BE HERE RIGHT?
YOUR KOTODAMA WON'T WORK ON ME

YOU WOULD APPEAR
IF I ATTACKED KIDS AND RIPPED THEIR GUTS OPEN
IT HAPPENED EXACTLY AS THAT PERSON HAD SAID
YATOH!
KANAME YATOH IS ABSENT? THAT'S UNUSUAL.
Buzz
Buzz
Buzz
ANYONE KNOW HIS EXCUSE?

I wonder what's wrong.
He looked fine on Saturday.
who knows?
Akajita!
AKAJITA!!

WHAT'S WRONG?
YOU ALWAYS GET MAD WHEN I STAND OUT.
WHY?
WHERE'S YATOH-KUN?
DID SOMETHING HAPPEN TO HIM?
BECAUSE
It's already strange that Chairman Yatoh would be absent without a note.
HE STARTED ACTING WEIRD AFTER HE SAW THE NEWS ABOUT THE PARK...
AND YESTERDAY, TOO...

.....
HUH?
HAVE YOU SEEN YATOH NAKED?
AREN'T I ENOUGH?
EH?
CAN'T YOU STAY COMFORTABLE WITHOUT YATOH?

...A CLAW MARK?
THAT .
ISN'T THE TYPE OF MARK THAT WAS MADE BY A HUMAN OR AN ANIMAL
...WHY GET SO MAD?
FLAIL
OF COURSE NOT! AS IF I HAVE!
FLAIL
THE CHILDREN WHO GOT ATTACKED IN THE PARK ALL HAD THEIR ABDOMENS WOUNDED.
...YATOH HAS THAT SORT OF OLD SCAR AS WELL...
SOME LARGE... CLAW MARK, I THINK

YOU WON'T MOAN ANYMORE?
WHAT A SHAME IT WAS INTEREST-ING
RARGHH!
RIP
HEY.
UGH!
UGH!
Ahhhhhhh!!
KIDS DON'T SUIT MY TASTE
BUT YOU ARE SPECIAL

...Where am I?
AREN'T YOU...
GOING TO TAKE ME TO SHII'S PLACE?
Looks like some kind of abandoned building or something...
IT'S BECAUSE YOU ARE THAT—
The Sado-specter beast that suddenly appeared in front of me and preyed upon me...
The wound I gave him, when I desperately resisted, seemed very serious. So he started to move again after all these years of hiding.

WHAT ARE YOU?
HUH?
I'VE BEEN WONDERING ALL THIS TIME
WHY IS SHII SO HUNG UP ON YOU?
I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT SORT OF VALUE YOU HAVE TO HIM
HUH?
WHO KNOWS?
HOW SHOULD I KNOW WHAT A MONSTER IS THINKING ABOUT...
STRANGLE
!
THERE IS NO RUSH.
I'LL PLAY WITH YOU
UNTIL YOU FEEL LIKE TALKING

I have to see Shii again.
I have questions to ask him...
Don't joke with me.
Cough!
AH
If she finds out about me, who has constantly told her not to get involved with those monsters...
She'll get mad.
Don't search for me, Hatsuse.
Even though she's started to get kind of attached to me, these days.

I wish for you to live a normal life.
WHY ARE YOU ANGRY?
I'M NOT ANGRY
YOU'RE LYING
I SAID I'M NOT !
The reason why Yatoh-kun didn't tell me a single thing,
is because I wouldn't be any help to him at all. I know that.
But...

ARE YOU REALLY GOING TO THAT PARK?
YES, I AM!
Don't think that I'm kind of a person who can just sit back and relax when Yatoh-kun has gone missing..!
FLO
FLO
FLO
WHAT?
HOW SCARY
Chatter
Chatter
REALLY
ISN'T THIS ALREADY THE FOURTH?
Chatter

EVEN THOUGH I HEARD POLICE OFFICERS WERE KEEPING WATCH OVER THE PARK ALL THE TIME
THIS IS REALLY CREEPY
BUT IT SEEMS LIKE HE WASN'T HURT AT ALL THIS TIME
WHY IS IT ALWAYS CHILDREN WHO GET TARGETED —?
The child wasn't hurt because Yatoh-kun came here...?
These mysterious cases...
could it be that they were to lure Yatoh-kun...?
AND I OVERHEARD THAT THE CHILD THAT WAS FOUND
SAID THAT AN *ONII-CHAN WHO HE DOESN'T KNOW WAS TAKEN AWAY
WHAT?!
THIS TIME IT'S A KIDNAPPING?!
*KIDS USUALLY CALL OLDER CHILDREN/TEENS "ONII CHAN" OR "ONEE-CHAN." IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT THE KID IS BLOOD-RELATED TO HIM.

U-UM, I WAS WONDER-ING...
WHEN I'M WITH YATOH-KUN,
THE SPECTERS WON'T COME NEAR ME BECAUSE THEY'RE SCARED OF HIM.
BUT SINCE YESTERDAY, THEY WON'T SHOW THEMSELVES EVEN THOUGH YATOH-KUN'S NOT HERE WITH ME...
I WAS HOPING THAT SOME OF *THEM* WOULD HAVE WITNESSED THIS
BUT THERE AREN'T ANY THAT IT'S WORTH GETTING INFORMATION FROM.
THIS ISN'T GOOD...
DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING?
AKAJITA.

LIKE I SAID BEFORE,
WE SPECTERS CAN SEE A LIGHT SURROUNDING YOU LIKE A LAMP
BUT SINCE YESTERDAY
THE LIGHT AROUND YOU HAS DISAP-PEARED.
It's as though you have been wrapped around with something.
COULD IT BE...
THAT YATOH-KUN DID SOME-THING TO ME...
It was that time...
HIS SPELL IS PROTECTING YOU

CAN YOU
BREAK THIS SPELL?
NANAO?
WITHOUT THE SPELL, THEN THOSE KIDS
WOULD BE ABLE TO FIND ME AGAIN, RIGHT?
I...
SOME OF THOSE KIDS MIGHT KNOW WHEREABOUTS OF YATOH-KUN
I AM GOING TO GET SCOLDED BY YATOH AGAIN.

SFX FLASH

YOU'RE PRETTY STUBBORN
YOU STILL WON'T OPEN YOUR MOUTH?
Cough!
...WHO WOULD!

SFX: SANG
WHAT ...?!
.....

AKAJITA, YOU'RE THERE RIGHT?!
TAKE HATSUSE AND RUN AWAY!
HE'S A MIRROR OF HARI.
MY KOTODAMA DOESN'T WORK ON HIM...!
YATOW-KUN...
HE REALLY IS HERE!!
WH... WHY ARE YOU...
WHAT'S THIS ..?
WE HAVE SOMETHING VERY INTERESTING HERE.

I WON'T RUN AWAY
I WON'T LET YOU ESCAPE...
SO TAKE ME!
AND LET YATOH-KUN GO!
WHAT?
AND, RATHER THEN YATOH-KUN, I SHOULD BE...
MORE SATISFYING TO YOU!
HATSUSE!
RUN!!
WHACK

WH
!!
AM

WHY WOULD YOU DO SUCH A THING?
ATTACKING CHILDREN AND EVEN YATOH-KUN...
IT WAS SHII.
THE ONE WHO ATTACKED HIM LONG AGO WASN'T ME.
YOU... WANT TO SEE SHII, RIGHT?
I WILL TAKE YOU THERE...
SQUEEZE
I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT THIS KIND OF WEAKLING CAUGHT YOU.
YATOH IS USELESS AFTER ALL.
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE THAT THE MIRROR OF HARI WOULD ATTACK SOMEONE ON ITS OWN WILL
I DON'T KNOW WHETHER YOU GOT IT FROM SOMEONE OR PICKED IT UP SOMEWHERE, BUT YOU ARE PRETTY INSOLENT

AND NOW I REMEMBER SOMETHING I HEARD PRETTY LONG TIME AGO.
I WAS VERY CURIOUS
WHY WOULD SHII BE SO HUNG UP ON YOU LIKE THIS?
THAT THERE WAS A KID WHO WAS BORN BETWEEN A HUMAN AND US SPECTERS, THE MIXED ONE.
AND SHII WAS GOING AFTER THE KID..
Shut up!!
YOU ARE THAT MIXED ONE, AREN'T YOU?

WAIT!
IF YOU ERASE ME,
SLIP
"YOU SHUT UP!"
THEN YOU WON'T FIND OUT THE WHERE-ABOUTS OF SHII..!

PART
"DIS-
APPEAR
!!"

YATOH-KUN...
clop
clop
Yatoh-kun is...
a half-specter?
.....
Akajita...
knew this.

SIX YEARS AGO—
THIS SPECTER, CALLED SHII SUDDENLY ATTACKED ME AND THAT'S WHEN I FOUND OUT THAT MY MOTHER WASN'T A HUMAN
EVEN THOUGH I WAS A COMPLETELY NORMAL KID UNTIL THEN
AND NOW I EVEN HAVE THIS WEIRD POWER BECAUSE I WAS SO DESPERATE NOT TO BE KILLED BY SHII—

AND THEN A WHILE LATER, SOME OF SHII'S SPECTERS ATTACKED MY OLD MAN.
NOW MY OLD MAN IS LIKE A DOLL WITHOUT A SOUL, AND WON'T REMEMBER ANYONE HE USED TO KNOW.
MY MOTHER HAS RUN AWAY ABROAD WITH MY OLD MAN, TO PROTECT HIM.
YATOH-KUN..
YOU'RE IN DANGER, TOO, IF YOU STAY HERE, RIGHT?
BUT I HAVE TO FIND THE GUY WHO ATTACKED MY OLD MAN.
THOUGH I DOUBT HE WOULD RETURN TO HIS NORMAL SELF SO EASILY, EVEN IF I DO FIND THAT GUY.
So that's why Yatoh-kun hates mysterious things so much...
I GUESS IT WAS ALL...
...HATRED TOWARDS MY OWN KIND IN THE END

WHY DO YOU...
...SAY SUCH A THING?
DID YOU THINK THAT...
IF YOU TOLD A STORY LIKE THAT, YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO GET OFF WITHOUT APOLOGIZING TO ME FOR STRANGE SPELL YOU PUT ON ME?
...YOU HAVE TO APOLOGIZE
AND...!
IF YOU THOUGHT THAT A STORY LIKE THAT WOULD TURN ME AWAY,
YOU ARE TOTALLY WRONG...!

...HATSUSE.

I—
I WAS SCARED, YOU KNOW ..
WHAT WAS I GOING TO DO—!
WHEN YATOH-KUN DIDN'T COME BACK ..?!
HATSUSE
THE ONES WHO TOLD US WHERE YOU WERE, WERE THESE KIDS—
YOU HAVE TO PRAISE THEM TODAY
.....

I was always alone.
THERE'S NOTHING SCARIER THAN THAT...!
I was never been able to get along with anyone.
Even if,
I wasn't scared at all.
I was told I was just mere food to these kids.
I'M SORRY...

I never knew the "me"
who wanted so much for someone to stay by me.
Never, until I met Yatoh-kun...
CHAPTER 5 MIRROR OF HARI - END

RAWR
Why won't you release the next chapter?!
Can I help you?
What can I do to help?
Fan Girl
It's not like YOU helped out any.
We don't have enough translators or editors
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